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Brief Description of the Drawings

Figure 1: Western blot results using anti-MIC3 and anti-MIC1 monoclonal antibodies (1=wild-type strain of *Toxoplasma gondii* RH; 2=mutant mic3KO; 3=mutant mic3KO+MIC3; 4=mutant mic1KO; 5=mutant mic1KO+MIC1; 6=mutant mic1-3KO; 7=mutant mic1-3KO+Mic1-3).

Figure 2: Number of parasitic vacuoles counted as the mean of vacuoles per field originating from 4 coverslips, on the basis of 5 independent repetitions (A: RHxgprt⁻, mic1KO, mic3KO, mic1-3KO; B: RHxgprt⁻, mic1KO, mic1KO+MIC1)

Figure 3: Study of the virulence of the mic1KO, mic3KO, mic1-3KO, mic1KO+MIC1, mic3KO+MIC3 and mic1-3KO+Mic1-3 mutants (for Figure 3A, 3B and 3C, ♦ =strain mic1KO (A); strain mic3KO (B); strain mic1-3KO (C); ■ =strain mic1KO+MIC1 (A); strain mic3KO+MIC3 (B); strain mic1-3KO+Mic1-3 (C); Δ =strain RHxgprt⁻).

Figure 4: Expression of the MIC3 proteins in the various strains (4A=Western blotting; 4B=cell blotting; 1=wild-type strain of *Toxoplasma gondii* RH; 2=strain mic1-3KO+MIC3; 3=strain mic1-3KO+MIC3W126A; 4=strain mic1-3KO+MIC3F128A; 5=strain mic1-3KO+MIC3Y135A).

Figure 5: Analysis of the virulence test (♦ =strain mic1-3KO; ■ =strain mic1KO; Δ =strain mic1-3KO+MIC3; o=strain mic1-3KO+MIC3Y135A; +=strain mic1-3KO+MIC3F128A; x=strain mic1-3KO+MIC3W126A).

Figure 6: Post-immunization temperatures of the ewes of the various batches.

Figure 7: Mean of the results of the ELISA assays for the sera of the various batches of ewes.

Figure 8: Post-infection temperatures of the ewes of the various batches.

Figure 9: Western blots using anti-MIC3 (T82C10) or anti-MIC1 (T101F7) monoclonal antibodies. (A) S48 tachyzoite lysate; (B) mic1-3KO tachyzoite lysate. Lane 1: anti-76K serum; lane 2: naive mouse serum; lane 3: anti-MIC1; lane 4: anti-MIC3.

Figure 10: Post-immunization temperatures of the ewes of the various batches.

Figure 11: Results of the ELISA assays for the sera of the various batches of ewes.

Figure 12: Post-infection temperatures of the ewes of the various batches.